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## Band of Brothers Preview

The final screening of HBO's Emmy Award-winning miniseries, *A Band of Brothers*, will be on Tuesday, October 12th, at 6:30 PM at the Eisenhower Library's Visitor Center Auditorium, the beginning of Eisenhower Week at the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum. Special guests for Eisenhower Week events will be Lynn "Buck" Compton, Forrest Guth, Don Malarkey, and William Wingett – all members of the famed Easy Company, the Band of Brothers.

The episodes shown will be *Why We Fight* and *Points*. The following is a brief synopsis of the final two episodes:

Easy Company finally enters Germany, to surprisingly little resistance, and has a chance to relax for the first time in a long time. A patrol in a nearby forest discovers and abandoned Nazi concentration camp, still filled with emaciated prisoners. The local citizenry unbelievably disavowing knowledge of its existence is made to clean it up, as the news arrives that Hitler is dead.

Once home to the top officers of the Third Reich, Easy Company enters the Bavarian town of Berchtesgaden, and captures "Eagle's Nest," Hitler's mountaintop fortress. Facing imminent deployment to the Pacific Theater, the men compare their "points" to see who has earned enough to go home. However, the Japanese surrender ends the war. A closing vignette tells what happened to the men of Easy Company after they returned home.

The screenings of *A Band of Brothers*, *which* are being shown by special permission of HBO, are free and open to the general public. Call 1-877 RING IKE to reserve seats. The Eisenhower Center's Visitor Center Auditorium is located on South Buckeye at S.E. Third Street. For more information about *A Band of Brothers* screenings, or Eisenhower Week activities, call 1-877-RING IKE.